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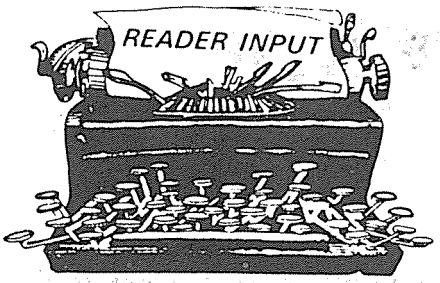

Grapevine:

I was really disappointed by your recent article (May 1987) on gays. You really bashed 'em up good. I have never known anyone who was harmed or offended by a homosexual.

C.G., Taipei

To Galloping Gourmet:

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How about doing a survey on this for your readers?

Frequent Diner, Taipei

To the Editor:

Your recent article on every man's right to end his life when it is no longer any good to him might have been prepared for Ronnie Reagan's man, McFarlane. It was revealed that in the state of Maryland, where the evil deed was attempted, the criminal statutes treat attempted suicide as attempted murder. However, in McFarlane's case, he was not indicted as he staggered out of the hospital. District Attorneys are all heart these days.

But to carry this suicide assininity to it's logical conclusion, at Birkenau, near Auschwitz, where four million humans were strangled with zyklon gas, attempted suicide was regarded as a heinous offense. Survivors were not only flogged but made to parade around wearing placards describing their depravity.

A. A. Penn

Mr. Penn is regular GV contributor. Ed.

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Dear Editor,

Reading the July 1987 edition of the Grapevine, I came across the article: "Grapevine meets ICRT." In that article mention is made of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps as the toy army of the Shanghai International Settlement under the Shanghai Municipal Council.

Having been an active member of the S.V.C., I am fairly well versed about the Corps. Do any other former members of the S.V.C. reside in Taiwan? If so, I would be happy to meet them.

The S.V.C. had been formed about 1860 in connection with the Taiping Rebellion. It was based on the principle of the British Territorial Army and in fact similar Volunteer Corps were created in all British controlled areas. The last such organisation in this part of the world is the Royal Hong Kong Regiment, formerly called the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force or simply the Hong Kong Volunteers. The Royal Hong Kong Regiment, however, consists today almost entirely of ethnic Chinese.

In my pre-war years in Shanghai I never felt the apprehension, which you ascribe to the foreign community at that time, nor did I know anybody who did. The Japanese were considered the gravest threat, ever since they had embarked on their conquest of Manchuria in 1931 and even more so after the 1st battle of Shanghai Jan./March 1932.

Hermann F.O. Noether

Dear Grapevine,

Re your ICRT article (July 1987), you're only half right when you say "all hell breaks loose after midnight . . ." Us late-niters, if we don't tune it out (like I usually do), at about 1AM become acutely aware that there are all kinds of passionate young lovers around while we are abused with a series of sickening love letter musical requests at a time when ICRT's juvenile audience should be asleep. How about a start at pepping up that hour with a dedication to ole Durdley: – "Bad to the Bone" by George Thourogood.

CM, Taipei

YOUR LETTERS ARE INVITED – GRIPES, CRITICISM, COMPLAINTS, PRAISES, ADVICE, FUN, WHATEVER – LET IT ALL OUT THROUGH GRAPEVINE! TAKE TIME TO WRITE TODAY.

Harvest festival dancing in August

AUGUST FESTIVALS

RUKAI HARVEST FESTIVAL: 15 Aug. at Wutai, Pingtung Hsien (屏東縣霧台鄉). Prospective visitors must apply to the Wutai Town Administrative Office (屏東縣霧台鄉公所) for an invitation, with which a Type "A" mountain pass can be obtained from your nearest Foreign Affairs Police. This festival of the Rukai aboriginal tribe features traditional dances, music, food, art and skills.

AMI HARVEST FESTIVAL: Late August, the dates are set only a few days in advance so one must check with the Tourism Bureau about mid-August (also to find a good location since there are 71 assorted Ami villages to choose from). For specific information phone the Tourism Bureau (02) 717-3737, 712-1212 Ext. 471

GHOST MONTH: Begins 24 Aug. see the "Where We Live" column in this issue for the full story of this annual summer interlude when the ancestral spirits re-visit their earthbound kin.

FROGGY READS THE WEATHER

A Chinese peasant, Chang-Chi-tsai devised a formula for predicting weather, said to be 80 percent accurate, by monitoring the croaking of frogs. "If frogs croak on a fine day it will rain in two days. If frogs croak after rain there will be fine weather. It will continue to rain if frogs do not croak after successive overcast days." Give it a try, it's as good as anything we have now.

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GETTING AWAY

A TRIP THROUGH THE NORTHEAST COAST SPECIAL SCENIC AREA

The economic miracle of Taiwan – the basic reason why most of us are here – performed few miracles for the island's enormous inventory of natural beauty and absolutely none for its often spectacular foreshore. But along a 41 mile (77km) stretch of coastline very nears the oversight, regarding what has recently become somehow forgot to install any plastics factories, and owing to the wisdom of government recreational planners the oversight, regarding what has recently become the Northeast Coast Special Scenic Area, will not be corrected. In fact, along the whole of this blessed stretch and it's one to four mile hinterland all unsightly works of man are being demolished and nature is being given a chance to hold its own.

The NCSSA is one of a number of locations of exceptional natural appeal that is being given the special protection of the Tourism Bureau of the Ministry of Communications. It is not the only one on the island, but because it is the major project of the Tourism Bureau it deserves our special attention.

The northeast coast can be reached rapidly via the Keelung Freeway or enjoyably by way of a road that remarkably few expats have ever travelled. It has no particular name, other than route 9, but it begins after one leaves Roosevelt Road headed south and shares the route to Wulai as far as suburban Hsintien. It then takes off due east before reaching a vantage point above the sea not far north of Chiaohsi.

The road itself is well surfaced and – if we avoid Sundays and holidays – so moderately travelled that one can afford to loaf along at leisure and take in the sights.

It is difficult to see what economic advantages inspired the creation of such a road as almost its entire length is skirted by natural forests and deep ravines. There isn't even very much agriculture in evidence until near the very end where numerous stalls have been established for the sale, at this time of year, of wax apples.

When, after a pleasurable hour long drive, one sights the sea, it is from a high plateau overlooking Turtle Rock. Once down at the coast the driver must steer left, or north, and just beyond the village of Waiao he will enter the clearly marked NCSSA. Thereafter for the next 42 road miles nature is king and industry is nowhere in sight.

The Tourism Ministry, like just about everybody else, is working with a budget that prevents Rome from being built in a day. But already the difference between this stretch and others around Taiwan will impress the visitor. The road is in perfect repair within the NCSSA and is bordered with new decorative markers. There are picnic areas at frequent intervals and lookout points adorned with pagodas.

It is a very curious coast with much more solid stone than sand in evidence, and on overcast days the fishing here is extremely good. The recent international rod fishing tournament was held along this coast.

The main civilization within the NCSSA is centered around several fishing villages served by tiny manmade harbors. There are excellent but inexpensive restaurants in all of them. For those who want to retreat inland a bit, paths and trails into the steep hills just across the Hua-lien Line traintracks are in preparation.

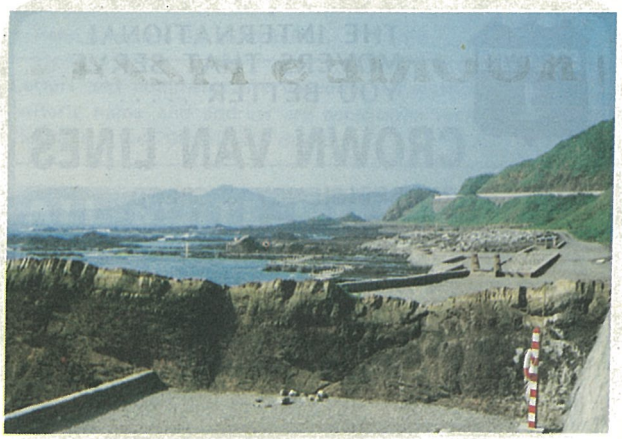
The crown jewel of the NCSSA will eventually be Fulung Beach, a rare five kilometer stretch of golden sand at about it's middle latitude. Here the Tourism Bureau is working very energetically to give Taiwan it's only beach bathing resort with world class facilities. Already overnight rental cottages are nearing completion, and two restaurants are functioning. A covered terrace overlooking the banks of the area's largest river has been completed and comfortably furnished. But maximum enjoyment of Fulung Beach still remains for another season.

No one wants to drive to a seacoast area without getting wet – especially in the dreaded heat of August – and instead of the beach we recommend the alternate swimming facilities that have been developed. These are re-claimed illegal abalone pools, and there are several of them to the north of Fulung Beach.

These pools have been cleaned and provided with ladders as well as some catwalks connecting them and are excellent for quick, as well as safe, dips in clean sea water.

The NCSSA comes to an end at its northern terminal as dramatically as it begins. For just one hundred yards

New Fulung Beach rental bungalow.



Overlooking former abalone ponds.

beyond its marker the sea is desecrated by the drainings of a huge and hideous copper smelting works, and the "getting-away" motorist realizes sadly that he has gotten back to the economic miracle.

Of course this trip can be reversed by starting at the Keelung end. Just follow the sign posted at the end of the freeway.

For information on rental facilities at Fulung Beach phone (032) 991-509.

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If you enjoy really terrific and unusual dining, and you're not scheduled for a Hong Kong trip soon, better re-check your plans and head for the annual Hong Kong Food Festival which starts 16 August and runs until 16 Sept.

During the festival, over 200 restaurants throughout the city prepare special menus that will give you a vast selection of magnificent meals. Many of these dishes are unusual and of cultural significance. Others have unique tastes and are served only at special feasts.

Among the highlights of these special menus – and definitely one of the "not to be missed" attractions of the festival – are the dishes from the 1986 Food Festival Culinary Awards. The dishes, which take Chinese and European food in new directions and demonstrate the great creative talents of Hong Kong's chefs, appear on the menus of the restaurants where they were originally created.

Throughout the festival hotels are staging special food promotions, including menus which feature the cuisines of many nations, from Italian to Japanese to French or Swiss. You can dine around the world without leaving Hong Kong.

Another way to treat yourself to a great cross-section of taste delights is to visit the Food Festival bazaar. Here, under one roof, many stalls offer various delicacies and dishes from around the world. The food is prepared by some of the most popular restaurants in Hong Kong, each carefully chosen for having expertise in a particular delicacy which they'll be offering at the stall.

In Lan Kwai Fong, the colourful area of restaurants and bars, there's a street fair complete with musicians, singers, entertainers, a flea market and food stalls selling drinks and exotic delights. For a unique taste of old China it's the Sung Dynasty Village, which recreates one of China's great eras, plus a special Sung meal.

For a different perspective of daily food in today's world, there is even a quick trip through the kitchen of one of McDonald's fast food restaurants. These tours are available only during the festival.

You can also take a look at the latest equipment for the hotel and catering industry at INTER HOTEL Hong Kong 87, and review the food exports of many nations at FOODFEST 87.

The festival culminates with the annual Food Festival Culinary Awards where the finest dishes in over twenty categories are selected by a panel of eminent foreign and local judges.

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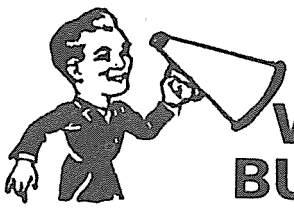

BY WESTERN BULLHORNS

THE CASE OF THE MISSING UNWED MOTHERS

Three issues ago Grapevine became aware – or thought it did – of the creation somewhere on the island of a refuge for unwed expectant mothers and promised to follow up on the story. This promise, however, proved easier in the making than in the fulfilment, and during all that time much of the expat community has found itself caught up in and intrigued by a non-crime, non-scandal entitled "The Case of the Missing Unwed Mothers."

The entire syndrome of unwed mums and the corresponding fleet-footed unwed fathers has been a source of fascination through the ages. It goes straight to the hearts of the righteous. It probably goes to another part of the anatomy of the prurient and the salacious. And no man seems too high or mighty to remain aloof. Exactly fifty years ago a somewhat controversial humanitarian gave rise to his emotions through an immediately enforced ukase: *"The man who is responsible for the pregnancy of a woman – whether or not she be his wife – and yet fails to render her assistance will be liable to a prison sentence, and the assistance referred to is not to assist alone of material aid but also of spiritual comfort."* The lawgiver was Adolf Hitler. In this instance the ogre of the Century may have had something to say. And that's why we've placed our discussion of this topic under "Western Bullhorns." On the purely local scene singles pregnancies are such unequivocal bad news that, in this specific case, we feel Western philosophers and quite a few of their activist disciples as well as some of God's vicars have come up with more workable answers.

All of this business got started – as far as this island is concerned – on March 24 with some extremely careless reporting by the "China Post" in a local news story that the China Baptist Mission (sic), Taipei City Government's Psychiatric Center and its Department of Social Affairs were planning to establish a shelter for pregnant girls. But the story began to look fishy when the locale for the project was placed at Hualien, far out of the jurisdiction of the Taipei City organizations.

With Mother's Day approaching, Nini Wu, the proprietor of the newly opened Genesis Bar near Ding Hao, conceived the idea for a benefit for these very special Chinese mothers and set to work with only the details available from the newspaper story. The jumble sale on Mother's Day at the Genesis netted NT$19,000.

Immediately after the occasion Nini set out to find the direct beneficiaries and present the bequest on the part of our expat community. But the first thing she discovered is that there is no "China Baptist Mission." Moreover, the Taiwan Baptist Mission, the obvious victim of a misprint, correctly denied all knowledge of any involvement with any unwed mothers scheme.

That left "Hualien" as Nini's only clue, but trying to check out and pinpoint the missing project was as futile as the efforts to find the body of the murdered Czar Nicholas II of All the Russias – there simply were no clues.

For two months Nini and Grapevine conducted independent investigations into the baffling case. But nature hates a vacuum, especially when NT$19,000 is waiting to be dropped into it. And suddenly the investigations turned up an embarrassment of unwed mothers' projects right in Taipei.

Grapevine's sleuthing led eventually to the door of the Christian Salvation Service at 432 Keelung Rd. Sec. 1 across from the World Trade Center. And there we were introduced to a truly remarkable institution and one that commands the attention and admiration of everybody on Taiwan, expats and Chinese alike. Apart from its rather awesome name – one is tempted to ask if it is equipped to handle after hours requests for home delivery of salvation – this organization is genuinely pouring the milk of human kindness onto some extremely parched areas of local sub-surface sociology.

As guests of Mrs. Paula Voigtmann, the friendliest, brightest, perkiest and most avant-garde missionary we've talked to for some time, we learned a lot in a hurry. And the first surprise was to learn that her organization has been sheltering unwed pregnant Chinese girls on Taiwan for at least fifteen years. In the early 1970s a saintly American lady named Lillian Dickson founded Mustard Seed, Inc., the forerunner of Christian Salvation Service, and one of it's early good works was a "project" for unwed mothers that remains alive and well today. About the only thing the China Post got right was that until this spring the shelter was indeed at Hualien. But while Nini Wu was futilely phoning around down that way, the shelter quietly moved to a more convenient address virtually under all our noses in Shihlin. Since Mrs. Dickson's death in 1983, Mrs. Voightmann has been in charge.

Visitors are sometimes taken to the project, but in most cases they do not see very much. It occupies a big, third floor apartment in a new building that costs NT$15,000 per month rent. It is impeccable and is kept that way by a mature Chinese paid housekeeper. However, the inmates of the place are told in advance when outsiders are due and have the option of remaining out of sight in their dormitories. That is what they did during Grapevine's inspection, but fleeting glimpses of them in the halls quickly established one important fact. There are no Mia Farrows or even latter-day Isadora Duncans in residence. All of the seven girls being cared for there just now are in the 14 – 17 age bracket. They turn up at the shelter, usually guided there by advertising posters seen in many Taipei busses, about five months pregnant and remain a total of five months until their babies are later adopted.

The pattern of present day Chinese teenybopper pregnancies has by now been established. Almost all of the CSS charges are middle school factory girls from dormitories. Their woes begin when they go motorbiking with factory boys on Sundays enjoying inevitable pit stops in the bullrushes. Shotgun weddings are rare,

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BYE-THE-BYE

SQUARING AWAY ON AIDS

A few weeks ago articles appeared in both the China Post and China News reporting the revelations of a local AIDS victim. First the China News, under the heading "AIDS Carrier Makers Nervous Appeal" quoted the doomed young deviate *"I hope all those who have had homosexual encounters will contact with their doctors and stop having 'one night stands' with strangers,* **especially foreigners.**"

The following day in China Post's version, captioned "AIDS Victim Asks Gays To Get Medical Tests"it was revealed that *"he said he had five Chinese male sex partners until he took the health check-up voluntarily."*

We ask why a person, who contracted AIDS (by his own admission) from one (or more?) of five Chinese men, would give dire warning against consorting with foreigners?

Not that we give a pink dandelion whether or not the gays (either foreign or domestic variety) destroy each other, but this is the type of bias that results in the straight foreigners getting the short end of the stick for no good reason.

The extreme example of this absurd attitude toward aliens is the Japanese with their traditional *island mentality.* Being an island previously free of many diseases it seems reasonable for them to assume that contagious disease has, does, and will originate outside their sacred domain and is therefore necessarily spread by foreigners. This concept also allows them to consider themselves as the *cleans* and foreigners as the *dirties,* which is quite soothing to their own consciences.

In reality, and as is well known, our north-easterly neighbors go abroad in hordes that include a large proportion of all-male sex tours. These *clean* citizens, once in a foreign country root everything or anything in sight. Needless to say, the result is that the Japanese import most of their own infections these days. After serious consideration, this writer would hazard a guess that the Japanese themselves probably account for at least ninety-nine percent of venereal disease, including AIDS, that occurs there. But, this does not preclude them from barring the pestilent *foreigners* from such happy diversions as bath houses, massage parlors or girlie clubs which have nothing to do with homosexual preferences.

With the sort of publicity recently drummed up by the local so-called *gay-rights* advocates, the population here might also develop a mentality similar to the Japanese. In fact this seems already to be pretty much of what is developing. This ploy seems to give the deviates an opportunity to somehow identify with their straight brethren as a single entity against – you guessed it – the pestilent foreigners. What should be said is that single gentlemen venturing abroad from Taiwan are very much carbon copies of their northerly counterparts when it comes to blatant promiscuity and bi-sexual meanderings.

More comprehensive and objective reporting is also in order. For example, one article gives us a set of numbers which, in reality, are useless. *"The NHA* (National Health Administration) *says 42 people have showed positive reactions. Among them 30 are hemophiliacs, two female prostitutes, a VD patient and nine homosexuals."* This leaves one wondering how many people in total have been tested and, more specifically, how many in each category?

The quoted figures become even more ridiculous when, further into the article, one is told *"in the past 18 months health authorities have urged specific groups, including prostitutes, homosexuals and sailors, to take tests but few had done so."*

Another unfortunate example of *island mentality* is the fact that all imported or foreign blood is screened for the AIDS virus while up to now only ten percent of the local variety has been tested. In this context it would be of interest to know the number of AIDS infected hemophiliacs that received local blood.

GV tried to get some answers in order to get the situation into some kind of perspective. Here is what we learned from the National Health Administration. which is the body responsible for disseminating AIDS related information:

Approximately 70,000 tests, predominantly on homosexuals, have been performed, out of which 47 have been positive (National Taiwan University put the figure at 49), of which there were 11 homsexuals, 2 prostitutes 31 hemophiliacs (contracted through blood transfusions). 1 non-hemophiliac by blood transfusion, and 2 from undetermined sources.

Furthermore, the NHA says that all these AIDS cases were detected in Taipei, which might lead the unwary to believe that the rest of Taiwan is clean. This would certainly quash the China Post quotation of NHA's Chuang Che-yen's comment, quoted above, which included sailors, along with homosexuals and prostitutes, since no cases seem to be reported from either Kaohsiung, Taichung or Keelung. ***Cont'd. pg. 11***

GETTING ACQUAINTED

SPENCER MOOSA

Instead of our usual biographical profile of a renowned expat in our midst, we are going to let this month's subject speak for himself through his own creativity. Spencer Moosa's forty year career as a foreign correspondent with Reuter and Associated Press has brought him too much renown to need any recapitulation here. So suffice it to say that after his retirement at the end of 1968, Mr. Moosa embarked on a subsequent career as a free lance writer. One of his major publications has been "Leisure Moments," a collection published in Taipei in 1968. With permission of it's copyright owners we herewith re-print what we think is one of the finest short stories since Guy de Maupassant was in business. Grapevine proudly presents "The Sensitive Salesman" by Spencer Moosa. Read it and worry. But don't tell the guy sitting next to you at the bar how it ends!

THE SENSITIVE SALESMAN

The thought that he envied the bartender at The Tavern Inn gave traveling salesman Ed Ashley quite a jolt.

"Wish I'd never met the man," he said to himself as he sat in a diner drinking coffee. It had been half an hour since he had left the bar, but he had not been able to think of anything else but the anonymous bartender.

He could almost hear the bartender's voice: "Yes, sir, my wife is the sweetest girl in the world. Never dreamt marriage could be so happy."

Ashley thought of his own marriage. What a wreck it had been. His wife, at the age of forty, had just divorced him, to marry her lover, a man of twenty-six.

And now he could hear the bartender saying: "My wife and I've never been separated for even a single say in the ten years we've been married. We always take our vacations together. She's not like some women who want to go off alone and fool around. Likes nothing better than staying at home. Every night I come home —I work on the three p.m.-eleven p.m. shift—she's waiting for me. Has a bottle of cold beer ready and my slippers set out. Lights my pipe. Boy, home life's the life!"

Home life, Ashley reflected bitterly, a fine home life he had had. His wife had been a gadabout from the beginning; and he could never tell, when he returned home from the road, whether he'd find her home, not even if he sent a wire ahead telling her [illegible]

Planning the future together, Ashley thought in misery. What planning had he and his wife ever done? All she had ever planned was a good time.

Again he could hear the bartender speaking: "I've got a girl in a million: a one-man woman. Never looks at anyone else. Wouldn't change her for all the queens in Europe. Makes her own clothes and, believe me, looks like a fashion plate. Always simply but stylishly dressed. Quite artistic. Has a painting of the Mona Lisa in the bedroom. That's the girl with the strange smile—painted by an Italian. It's called an inscrutable smile. You know something? Sometimes I get to thinking my wife herself smiles like that."

His recollections of the bartender's glowing happiness made Ashley bitterer than ever. He crushed his cigarette in the ashtray, paid his bill and left. He stepped into his car and was about to drive off when a woman walked by and he thought he detected a faint but inviting smile as their eyes met.

She was distinctly pretty, about thirty or so, he would say. She had a good figure, large blue eyes and auburn hair, and was dressed modestly but stylishly. Ashley decided he needed some distraction. If she were willing, so was he. Instead of starting the car, he lighted a cigarette and waited at the wheel, wondering what would happen. As his pulse quickened, the woman approached. Ashley leaned over and opened the door and she stepped in.

"Where to?" he asked, turning the ignition key.

She studied him for a moment as if deciding. Then she said: "Like to come to my place?"

That would be better than a hotel, Ashley thought to himself. He'd always felt a bit awkward about taking pick-ups to hotels.

"Anywhere you say," he replied.

At the woman's direction, he drove to an apartment house. He liked her appearance, the fragrance of her perfume, and one thing particularly—she looked so respectable. Had it not been a question of buying and selling—an always awkward but necessary prelude in such matters—it might have had the aspect of a glamorours love affair.

The woman, he reflected, was better looking than his own wife. Why, they possibly looked to passers-by like a married couple going home from a party instead of complete strangers thrown together by chance.

The woman directed Ashley to a flat on the ground floor of an apartment house. It had a separate entrance from the street and this gave him a welcome sense of privacy.

His first impression of the living room was that it [illegible]

HOROSCOPE

ARIES (20 Mar – 20 Apr) Expect a surprising change in your outlook during this month or Sept. Don't fight it or you'll lose great opportunities. Don't be too aggressive in social relationships. Remain calm and unhurried – avoid nervousness and worry. Don't fret about your on-the-job status. Maintain a fitness program.

TAURUS (21 Apr – 21 May) Expect reward for doing a good job, most likely late in the month or early next month. Take advantage of a chance to further your career this month. Old tensions and worries will be relaxed through broader understanding. Either keep, or get, yourself in shape with a good exercise program.

GEMINI (22 May – 21 June) If married, make efforts to get closer to your spouse. Beware of pitting friends against each other. A good month for a long-distance holiday journey. Always look before you leap – don't rush things this month. Watch out for a nasty summer cold, eat hearty and nutritious foods.

CANCER (22 June – 23 July) Don't overdo it – take time to relax and re-energize, get enough rest. Beware of influences detrimental to your reputation or social standing. Think and act in a positive manner – be decisive. Family affairs are important. Seek immediate treatment for any physical complaint – don't wait around till too late.

LEO (24 July – 23 Aug) Married Leos should avoid too much "self" – pay more attention to your spouse. For singles it's a good month for a romantic relationship but don't be too aggressive. A good time for travel to places new to you. Don't fight changes – turn them to your advantage. A good time to start or intensify an exercise program.

VIRGO (24 Aug – 23 Sept) Singles will experience a deepening of any current romantic relationship. New financial goals should be included in your thinking these days. You are somewhat accident prone late in the month so beware of potentially dangerous situations, otherwise it's a good month for travel.

LIBRA (24 Sept – 23 Oct) Singles should seek depth in personal relationships. Be passive in financial matters. Keep social and business relationships on an equal basis. Late month is a good time for a trip or vacation – You need a break. Do your best in all endeavors. Do some reading on health maintenance.

SCORPIO (24 Oct – 22 Nov) Be independent but be well informed – don't be rash in your actions. It's a tense month generally but keep your cool and persevere. Use your talents to their fullest advantage. Keep in shape and watch that mid-section.

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WHERE WE LIVE

Keelung's Tsu Pu Tan Temple, well known for it's ghost month feasts

GHOSTLY TAIWAN

The seventh lunar month is the traditional Ghost Month on Taiwan which falls this year from 24 August through 22 September.

It is considered quite unlucky to begin anything new during this month when ghosts, having been released from Hades, freely roam the earth, some wreaking havoc.

The citizenry make special offerings of food and drink so that their visiting ancestral spirits will be satisfied during their brief sojourn on earth.

Most Taiwanese believe that this visitation of the ghosts coincides with the birthday of Giam-lo-ong (Mandarin: Yen-lo-wang) main deity of the underworld.

Much attention is given to appeasing the ghosts during their month of freedom since an unhappy ghost can cause great misery amongst living mortals.

The Taiwanese believe when a person dies they become a spirit which descends into Hades where they live under the rule of Giam-lo-ong.

Life in Hades is similar to that in the living world and the spirits have the same needs for food, drink, money, etc., however for these comforts they depend upon the offerings of their living relatives and if offering's are not made by the living family members of such unfortunate spirits they will roam the earth causing harm to man and animial alike. These are called "hungry spirits."

The fiercest and most dangerous spirits are those of persons which have died of unnatural causes, such as accidents or suicides. Such spirits, who are not allowed to descend directly to the underworld, are put into limbo. The only way these floating spirits can enter Hades is by taking a living sacrifice, upon the death of whom they can finally report to Giam-lo-ong. For this reason, especially during ghost month great caution is taken to avoid accidental traps, amongst which drowning is much feared.

To appease the spirits whose families do not honor them, and those in limbo, special offerings are placed on tables in front of the main entrance. This practice serves to pacify these wandering ghosts and keeps them from entering the house to seek sustenance.

One typical Taiwanese festival for these renegade spirits is called "worship of good brothers" held on the 15th day of the 7th lunar month or 7th Sept. this year,

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TOWARD BETTER HEALTH

"Study sickness when you are well."

Thomas Fuller, M.D.

FATIGUE RECOVERY GUIDELINES

Hot weather combined with physical activity is a prime factor in causing fatigue. Unfortunately there are many misconceptions about the methods of overcoming this condition.

Set yourself straight on the best and most efficient methods of revitalizing an overtaxed body by following these four steps to fight fatigue:

1. ***Water.***

Reason: *Body loses water through perspiration.*
Effect : *Cools the body and prevents dehydration.*
Intake : *Large. Past the point of thirst.*
Timing : *Immediately following activity and throughout the day.*

2. ***Carbohydrate fluid and/or snack.***

Reason: *Exercise depletes the body's glycogen stores.*
Effect : *Starts glycogen replacement.*
Intake : *As much as you want.*
Timing : *Within an hour following exercise, Studies show the sooner you replace lost carbohydrates, the quicker the recovery.*
Choices: Diluted fruit juices, energy replacement drinks, low-fat yogurt, fruits.

3. ***High-carbohydrate meal.***

Reason: *Vigorous exercise depletes the body's glycogen which refuels the muscles and liver.*
Intake : *Large.*
Timing : *Three hours after a workout.*
Choices: *Pasta, potatoes, rice, breads, cereals, grains.*

4. ***Combination high-carbo/high protein meals.***

Reason: *Frequent exercisers on highcarb diets may have low levels of several important nutrients.*
Effect : *Replaces nutrients essential to recovery.*
Intake : *Moderate to large.*
Timing : *The week following competition, hard workouts.*
Choices: *Chicken, pizza, low-fat milk, vegetables, seafood pasta and spaghetti with lean meat sauce.*

OBSERVE THESE NO-NO'S

Cold drinks: Do not take cold or, most especially, iced drinks during or following activity. Slightly cool drinks are the thing.

Salt: Forget the old mis-concept about salt being beneficial under hot, sweaty conditions. You don't need extra salt and it might well increase the danger of hypertension.

Alchohol: All alchoholic beverages are taboo. Alchohol is counter-productive because it affects the circulatory system which needs a rest – not a boost. Also it is diuretic driving out fluids the body needs to retain. ◇

FAT & OIL COOKING LOWDOWN

It was formerly believed that saturated fat and cholesterol were bad, and that unsaturated fat was good. Now we know that too much fat of any kind is harmful. It appears that a high fat intake can cause a metabolic imbalance in the liver, leading to excess production of cholesterol by that organ. The excess cholesterol, most of which is made metabolically in the body, lines the arteries with atherosclerotic plaque, hampering circulation.

The average western diet derives somewhat more than 40 percent of its calories from fats. Practically everyone agrees that the fat percentage should be reduced, but the experts disagree on how much. Recommendations range from 10 percent to 33 percent of calories from fat. Twenty percent is probably a safe compromise. If fat intake is too low, the essential fat linoleic acid *(vitamin F)* might become deficient.

To say a fat is saturated means it's carbon atoms are combined with the maximum possible number of hydrogen atoms. It is, in other words, fully hydrogenated. If the carbon atoms are doubly joined to each other, instead of to hydrogen atoms, the fats are said to be unsaturated. Unsaturated fats are chemically more reactive than saturated fats, especially when heated, so they will react with hydrogen in the factory (becoming saturated in the process), and with oxygen in your kitchen (becoming rancid and harmful). Safflower oil, being very unsaturated (polyunsaturated), is the worst to cook with. Olive oil, being only slightly unsaturated (monounsaturated), is the best.

The best thing to say about margarine and butter is to avoid them as much as possible. Both contain too much saturated, or partially saturated, fat. One specific objection to margarine is its content of trans-fats, formed during hydrogenation. Trans-fats are not normal to the body, and some people believe them to be harmful. Shortening and lard, or animal fat, are definitely out.

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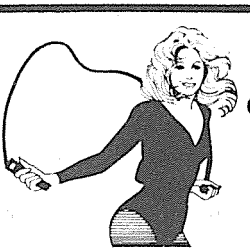

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THE TYPHOON COMETH

Although we've technically been in the typhoon season for three months already, the (usually) most potent period is upon us, from now through November.

If you haven't already made preparations here is our annual reminder for typhoon readiness.

Every household should have the following items on hand:

Drinking water: Store at least 10 liters (2½ gal.) per person, preferably in sterilized glass jugs which can be sterilized and well sealed. Plastic containers are not recommended.

Food: Maintain a rotating stock of varied canned goods sufficient to provide 2 meals per day per person for three days. Also have stocks of wholesome canned juices and UHT type milk which stores months without refrigeration (available in small cartons at Foremost). Have on hand fruit such as apples and oranges which do not easily spoil.

Medical Supplies: Keep a comprehensive first aid kit to treat cuts, burns and sprains.

Cooking: To provide for cooking, heating water, etc., a small tank of propane (LPG) with proper burner and connections should be kept on hand.

Wash water: Use one or more large plastic garbage containers with covers, to store additional water for washing, toilets, etc.

Other items which should be kept ready are flashlights; battery operated radio; spare batteries for flashlight and radio (store in the fridge); buckets; rags and mops for clean-up; boards, nails and plastic sheeting to cover openings, wide packing tape for sealing cracks and taping windows in an "X" pattern to prevent glass shattering; and last but not least candles and matches.

In addition to the foregoing precautions check your quarters *now* for weak spots such as windows and doors that should be covered or shored-up against strong winds. If you are on the ground floor in a low lying area it is prudent to have enough sandbags at hand to block all entrances. Make your plans and obtain the relative materials so when the time comes you can act quickly and decisively to give yourself maximal protection.

Don't forget your vehicle, whether car or motorcycle. Be sure to park in either a well protected place or in a very open area to avoid falling trees, branches, signs, etc. Also, be sure your transport is where it won't be flooded, or mired down in mud. If you are new to your neighborhood take the trouble to ask neighbors about flooding conditions on your street. ◇

AIDS, Cont'd .....

The culmination of this, somewhat futile, attempt to provide our readers with an accurate picture of AIDS on Taiwan is the fact that the whole situation is somehow disjointed with respect to geographic/demographic realities, and the availability of testing is ridiculously limited. The ostrich syndrome has not been fully overcome, and the question is, how long will it take the authorities to pull their heads all the way out?

The information thus far offered by the authorities and parroted by the press does not clarify the situation in any meaningful way for the citizens at large.

AIDS testing is available at the following locations *throughout* Taiwan:

National Taiwan University Hospital (國立台灣大學醫學院附設醫院) 1 Chan Teh Rd. Taipei (常德路 1 號) Tel. (02) 312-3456. ext. 2221, 2297 or 2298 Mon. & Wed. mornings.

MacKay Memorial Hospital (馬偕紀念醫院), 92 Chung-shan N. Rd., Sec. 2, Taipei (中山北路 2 段 92 號) Tel. (02) 543-3535 Mon., Thurs., Sat. mornings.

Chang Gung Memorial Hospital (長庚紀念醫院), 199 Tunhua N. Rd., Taipei (敦化北路 199 號) Tel. (02) 713-5211. Fri. afternoon

Veterans General Hospital (榮民總醫院), 201 Shihpai Rd. Sec. 2, Taipei (台北市石牌路 201 號) Tel. (02) 871-2121. Tues., Thurs., Sat. mornings.

Kaohsiung Medical College (高雄醫學院), 100 Shih Chuan 1st Rd., Kaohsiung (高雄市十全一路 100 號) Tel. (07) 321-4227. By appointment.

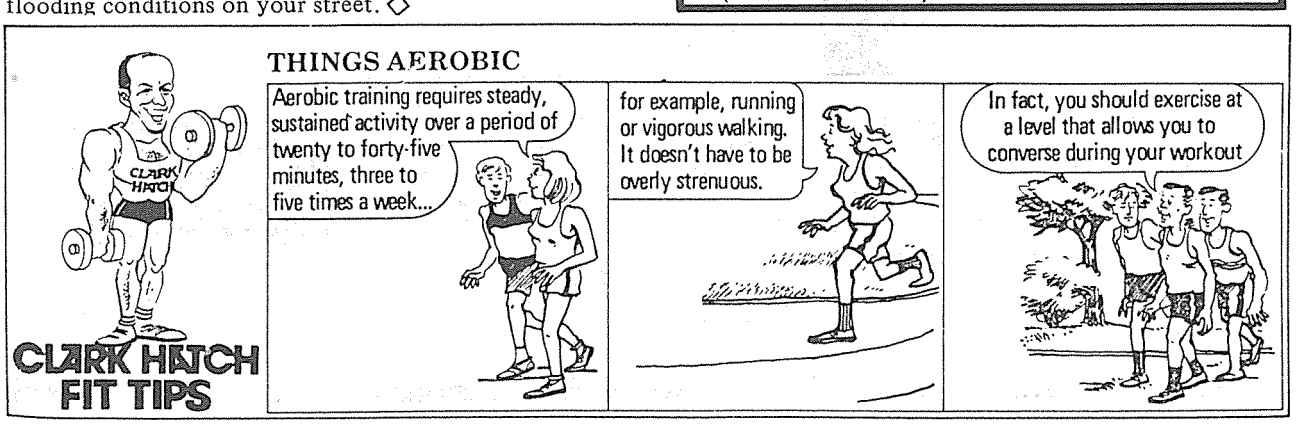
D.W. Manley

HEALTH FACT

The human body contains enough iron to make a spike strong enough to hold the body's own weight.

HOMELY HINT

PLANT FOOD: **For a nitrogen rich food for house plants dissolve an evelope of unflavored gelatin in a cup of hot water, then add three cups of cold water. Feed plants with this solution once a month.**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Aerobic training requires steady, sustained activity over a period of twenty to forty-five minutes, three to five times a week...
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In fact, you should exercise at a level that allows you to converse during your workout

A SHERLOCK HOLMES FOR SHIPPING

"The barquentine 'Alice' paid her local debts with a glimpse of her flying topsail." It was a common entry in harbormaster's logbooks during the sailing ship era of Joseph Conrad, and the situation hasn't changed much today. From time immemorial insolvent vessels have made port, stored watered and fueled and then sneaked out to sea while chandlers, port authorities and not a few brothel owners were writing up the invoices.

It may not, however, be as easy in the future as it has been in the past to hoodwink the merchants along the quays of the world owing to the unique initiative of a very bright young Dutch deck officer and licensed master named Jan Meijer and the Dynamar BV shipping credit information company he founded at Alkmaar, Holland seven years ago.

Present day general agents attempt to safeguard their interests in dealing with unknown vessels by demanding heavy advance payment. But the competition among them is lively, and to get the business of a Greek flag bulker inbound for Kaohsiung full and down with coal, they will sometimes accept less than perfect security. And in dozens of cases even the most cautious get burned. Ship chandlers, an even scrappier profession, could never do business in this way, and repair yards have as difficult a time collecting anything advance. And so the losses mount and mount.

Since the days of wireless, fleeing vessels can usually be traced, and if their creditors are lucky, such ships can be arrested. But there, again, a risk persists for it might be proved that the vessel is already attached by so many liens that it is virtually without value.

Romanticists like to think that shipping is the industry closest to God. *"They who go down to the sea in ships know the wonders of the deep,"* is the way the Bible dramatizes seafarers. But villiany and skullduggery were not far behind when the first ocean going vessel was laid down. And the myriad dishonesties connected with the sea continue to this day. Old Captain August Kopcke, a German sailorman who later made his fortunes in Rotterdam as an owner and chandler, once beguiled a group of his colleagues with a tale that tells it all. *"I wasn't surprised when this captain I had engaged sold the entire cargo on the China Coast,"* he said wearily. *"But I didn't expect the scoundrel to sell my ship as well."*

Out of sight, out of retribution's way has long been the motto of the bad boys. But, with the establishment of Dynamar, a hard laser beam is now available to be turned on a huge list of marine credit risks long before any damage can take place.

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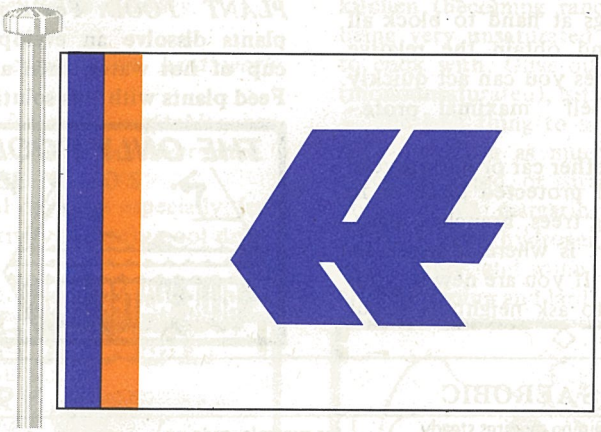

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cases individual companies own only one of them. If the ship in question founders so does the company and the creditors are plumb out of luck.

Dynamar has by now accumulated records, complete or partial, on nearly 13,000 operators and has them all in computer banks. When a risk-taker buys the service and asks for a report, he will get a full rundown on the size and condition of the fleet under scrutiny, a statement on payment experiences and a general credit listing. The files at Dynamar are updated continuously with changes in personnel as well as operating details recorded.

The greatest disaster to hit the ailing maritime world in recent years was the bankruptcy, attemped re-financing, and eventual total abandonment of business by the venerable United States Lines. But subscribers to Dynamar's services were warned far in advance that the company was in trouble. In fact, just prior to the November Chapter 11 filing, Dynamar's credit reports were so unerring that there were rumblings of a law suit to restrain it. But the truth is a total defense in libel cases, and no court action ever materialized.

The Dynamar company recently expanded from its Netherlands base to the office of Dynamar International in the Rockerfeller Plaza building in New York. And only last month Mr. Meijer paid his first visit to Taiwan since he was still a chief officer calling at Keelung in the 1960s His motive was to establish a full service operation here to parallel those he is developing in Korea, Japan and Singapore. He expressed his astonishment at what has taken place all over the island. And with the total tonnage handled by Taiwan's major ports now approaching that of New York or Rotterdam, Mr. Meijer feels that the time is right for representation here.

A number of firms with a vital stake in steamship credit information will no doubt be interested in hearing more about his plans. ◇

UNITED'S REVENUES ANNOUNCED

Allegis Corp. reports that United Airlines had operating revenues of 2.07 billion dollars, up 14 percent over the second quarter of 1986. The airline had operating earnings of 134.4 million dollars in this year's second quarter, the best performance ever for a second quarter with the exception of 1984. The airline net earnings this year were 68.6 million dollars versus 10.4 million dollars for the second quarter of 1986.

The airline's operating revenues for the first half of 1987 were 3.93 billion dollars versus 3.30 billion dollars for the same period a year ago. Operating earnings for the first six month this year of 122.5 million dollars compared to an operating loss of 59.5 million dollars for the first six months of 1986. Net earnings this year were 27.2 million dollars versus a net loss of 96.9 million dollars for the first half of 1986. ◇

PRO FOOD GROUP ORGANIZED

IFSEA July meeting – l. to r. Brett Lin (HCI), Secy/Treas.; Horst Trummer (Swiss Fine Foods), V. Pres.; guest speaker from the Tourist Bureau; Richard Matti (HCI), Pres.; Christine Hsu (Fortuna), Director; Peter Chuang (Rebar), Director.

With an initial membership of thirty-five local professional food service industry luminaries the International Food Service Executives Assn. (IFSEA), Taiwan Chapter was launched recently with Richard Matti as it's first president.

Active membership includes top-level management executives from all aspects of food service: executive chefs, operators, dietitians, consultants, managers and owners of catering firms, restaurants, hotels, clubs, institutions, armed forces and other organizations having food service operations.

IFSEA, headquarted in the U.S., was originally founded in 1901 as the Internaitonal Stewards Organization. Today IFSEA boasts a membership of over 8000 professional food people in many countries around the world.

IFSEA is dedicated to raising the standards of the food service industry by educating it's members and future industry leaders with the latest, up-to-date information, and holding seminars on various aspects of the food industry including hygiene and sanitation.

The new group has set a membership target of 100 which will hopefully include many local Chinese participants. Branches in Kaohsiung and Taichung are being planned. Interested persons can contact Richard Matti c/o Hotel Consultants Intl., Tel. (02) 717-1718.

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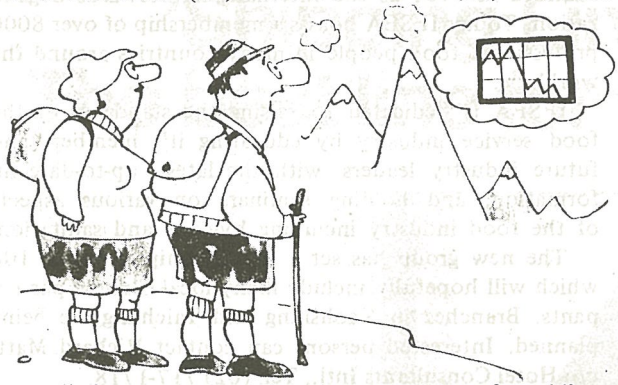

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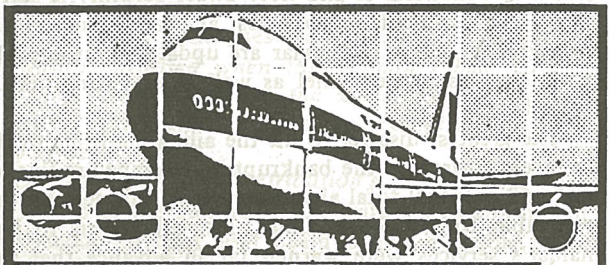

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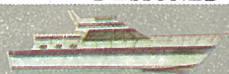

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COMPUTER TALK

by Stan

When Cram walked in, I was deep in a programming trance, fingers flying through a modification of the Sieve to produce 20-digit encryption keys for an RSA coding routine. Seeing him standing in my doorway was like being dragged down from Nirvana for some long-forgotten karma. There is knowledge to be gained from every setback, sang the sutra that popped, unbidden, to mind.

"How did you get past my wife?" I asked. Now that was interesting. There are a lot of times when a technique like that could come in handy. At the same time, Cram's advent on this otherwise perfect morning could only mean. . .

"Cram," I groaned, "today's Sunday. What are you doing here?"

"Hey" quoth Cram, unabashed, "I'm a Monday to Saturday wage slave, not a free lancer like yourself. Sunday is my only day off." The infinitesimal ripple that crossed my Inner Calm was quickly stilled. "Remember that computer you got for me? You have to teach me how to use it!"

"Look Cram, I told you before, if you buy a car you have to learn how to drive. Have you read through that DOS manual yet?"

"No, I haven't had the time," he grinned.

Struck with admiration for Cram's utter insensitivity, I put down the heavy paperweight I had somehow picked up and set him in front of a terminal.

Cram said he knew where the on-off switches were and how to use the keyboard ("Of course I can type"). We reviewed the special purpose keys – Esc, Ctrl, Alt and the function and cursor movement keys, went on to the care and feeding of floppy disks and then to the Disk Operating System. Breezing through file types and their uses, we lingered on DOS commands, dividing them into Must Know, Good-To-Know, and Look-Up-As-Needed categories.

"See, that was easy," Cram exulted, closing the DOS manual on IF EXIST %1 THEN GOTO LABEL, "you're just lazy sometimes." One-floppy-disk, two-floppy-disk, I counted, but the red haze cleared before I reached ten.

"Now, what can I do with it?" Read that: now I can drive, where can I go, I thought. Next thing he'll want – "Say, how does this thing work anyway?" – is a course on automotive engineering.

I pulled out some catalogues and brochures and showed Cram how software packages were classified by function; business, utility, entertainment and education. Business software was further divided into word processors, spreadsheets, data bases, accounting, and so forth. Now, word processors. . .

His eyes were starting to glaze over. "All right, Cram," I relented, "let's try some hands–on applications." I booted up a word processor for him, dug out the manual, and started him off on the tutorial chapter.

"That ought to keep you busy for a while," I breathed. Cram, for once, was too absorbed to reply. I got back behind my terminal and rebooted. Planting my feet firmly, I refreshed my chi, then, fixing my eyes on the hypnotic cursor, began to gather the shattered shards of my ivory tower.

"Hey" yelled Cram, "where's the 'Q' on this keyboard?"

LUNAR HOROSCOPE

The lunar horoscope is a guide to daily activities (the dates are adjusted to the western calendar).

The dates given are all good except for those in brackets which are bad. Good days mean fortune, luck or success. For example to hold the ground breaking on the auspicious day will bring luck, etc. to a construction project. Obviously "bad" days bode just the opposite.

ADOPTIONS	10, 12, 15, 19, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31
BED PLACEMENT	6, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 23, 24, 25, 31 **(3, 10, 11, 15, 22, 27)**
BUSINESS NEWLY OPEN	11, 13 **(29, 31)**
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CONTRACT SIGNING	2, 11, 13, 15, 22, 24, 27, 31
DOOR HANGING	10, 14 **(7, 8, 23)**
FUNERALS, BURIALS	1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, 20, 22, 26, 27, 28, 31 **(2, 5, 6, 12, 13, 18, 19, 24, 25, 29, 30)**
ENGAGEMENT	3, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25
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MACHINE INSTALLATION	3, 6, 16, 24
MARRIAGE	2, 4, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 25, 26, 31, **(1, 6, 7, 10, 16, 18, 20, 28, 30)**
MEDICAL CONSULTATION	23, 25 **(2, 5, 14, 19)**
MOVING PREMISES	3, 6, 10, 14, 22, 23, 26, 27, 31 **(1, 4, 7, 11, 13, 16, 20, 25, 28)**
PLANTING	**(4, 10, 14, 19, 23, 24)**
TRAVEL	2, 4, 13, 15, 22, 23, 25, 26, 31 **(12, 16, 20, 24)**
SIGN HANGING	6, 11, 19, 22
WAREHOUSE REPAIR	12
WOOD CUTTING	**(12, 17)**

In the early fifteenth century scholars in China compiled an 11,095 volume encyclopedia.

DINING OUT & DINING IN

With The Gluttonous Gourmet

RETURN TO THE GLORIES OF ANNAM: LÉ LAI

Gourmets with first hand experience of Indo-China's gastronomical brave days are getting thin on the ground these days because one has to harken back to before 1945 to know what we're talking about. From that date forward for exactly 30 years the air over the renamed Vietnam was full of bullets and bombs while the rice bowls were full of nothing much, and the 12 years of socialism that have engulfed the country since have done nothing to help the epicurean diner. But the precise man, who worked in Saigon as early as 1941, was able to lead us to a fantastic little place, off Jen Ai Rd. in the alley which confronts the Jen Ai Hospital, that sets the record straight and retards the clock to where it belongs, the days when Annam's at Hue was the gastronomical wonderland of all Southeast Asia. The Le Lai Vietnam Restaurant is modest but cozy, and its Cholon Chinese proprietor would make a wart hog feel immediately welcome. His menu is one of those color photo albums we have had to get used to, but all dishes are described in English and Chinese as well as Vietnamese. The service, by cute girls wearing the irresistable hao-dais (and perhaps roller skates concealed beneath them) is almost too good. Just mention a dish, and it's there. But all Vietnamese meals begin curiously. A basket of crinkly lettuce leaves is provided for the courses to be wrapped in, if you wish, the way Mexicans use tortillas. So what went into those leaves during our nine course supper? First chicken stewed in beer (San Miguel?). A trifle disappointing. Heavilly garlicked, the brewer's contribution did not quite come through. But on to Vietnamese raviolas and one of the most delicious yum cha type dishes we have ever tasted. Pork on shrimp cakes was another triumph. Next came spring rolls totally at variance with Chinese or Indonesian. The pastry is paper thin, but the rich meat stuffing is divine. Our next dish was a total surprise; stuffed grape(?) leaves!! Different from the Greek dolmatheka but magnificent. Our pork brochettes were about what you might expect but were ellaborated with a hotted up orange sauce known to fanciers of Thai cuisine. The evenings conversation piece must be absolutely unique to Vietnam; shrimp on sugar cane. The ingredients are shrimp paste and a thin length of heart of sugar cane. The paste is spread over the cane and steamed hard. In eating it the cane can also be consumed. A fascinating concept, the truth is that not much shrimp or any other taste survives the process. Maybe experimentation with a stronger paste is in order.

Rice heavily garnished with delicious barbecued pork complicates one's capacity problems, but then there is the hot-sour soup, and here again the Vietnamese steal a march on China. Basically this soup is of leeks with a choice between fish or chicken as the second ingredient. The broth was magnificent, and its composition is probably one of the Le Lai chef's secrets.

At desert time we found ourselves transported back to Southeast Asia with coconut dominating all the offerings. But there's nothing wrong with that.

At the hour of truth both of Grapevine's inspectors were startled to find that this banquet had been laid before them for gross NT$1,100, certainly one of the greatest bargains in present day Taipei when considering, had we fully eaten our rice dishes or partaken of the wonderful oven-warm bread, the repast would have fed another pair of hungry diners. We'll be back next payday and if we can't get a table maybe the G G will have only himself to blame.

The Le Lai is located at No. 7, Alley 15, Lane 35, Jen Ai Rd., Sec. 4, Tel. 772-4367 or 721-7641.

GOURMET TRIVIA

1. What are the usual ingredients of Scottish *haggis*?
2. From what fruit does *Grenadine* come?
3. What is a *Rock Lobster*?
4. The *Sole* is native to what waters?
5. What is *zest*?

ANSWERS PG. 19

AW SHUT UP!

Kurnonsky, France's recent Princes Elu de Gastronomes, refused utterly to patronize or to say one word in praise of any restaurant anywhere that offered any form of music to its patrons. He even dinged the discreet background violins that once played at so many garden restaurants. He refused to be seated in any Italian place until the doors were bolted against 'O Sole Mio' troubadors, and he did not grace dinner dances. In reality he was a music lover, but he argued that food is one art and music another and that the two should never be mingled. His recipe for an enjoyable feast amongst fellow epicures was "Rien que les bons mots" or, freely translated, "good lusty and humorous epicurean B.S."

EVERYTHING IS JAKE AT JAKE'S

John Steinbeck wrote, "In the whole of the United States I never met a bad breakfast or a good dinner." And ain't it the truth? Strawberry waffles washed down with honest-measure Bloody Marys. Nothing better anywhere! The trouble is that breakfast time comes at the wrong end of the day, and when the alarm goes off all anybody really wants in a cup of coffee, caffeine courage to face the sodding traffic.

But Jake and Annie have everything figured out right. Breakfast items all day long. Blueberry pancakes beat the hell out of hamburgers for lunch.

Jake and Annie are the two most sympathetic Chinese caterers we've ever met. Jake started life as a poor boy in Chiayi and came to Taipei during the strong American presence. He began his career as a cook in an American household in order to get things absolutely right for his own independent catering career. And everybody can find out the rest of the story at the popular little place up on Chungshan N. Rd. Sec. 6.

Asked for his own success formula, Jake cribbed a line from an old Sophie Tucker song. "Give 'em what they want and when they want it."

Of course Jake also serves other great food for anytime of the day including such homemade favorites as tacos, pizza, pies, cheesecake, and, yes . . . even hamburgers, – plus a lot more.

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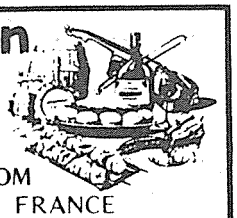

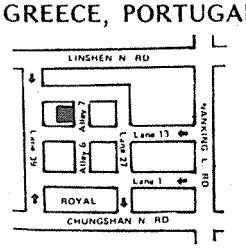

DINING IN

This month we offer a healthy Tex-Mex casserole that goes great with a nice chilled summer salad:

1 green pepper, chopped
1 large clove garlic, chopped
1 large onion, chopped
1 tablespoon margarine
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 cups tomato sauce
¾ teaspoon ground cumin
2 teaspoons chili powder
2 cups chopped cooked chicken
1 cup grated Cheddar cheese
1 cup cooked corn
2 cup water
½ cup cornmeal

Saute the pepper, garlic and onion in the margarine and oil until the onion is transparent.

Add the tomato sauce, cumin and chili powder. Simmer 15 minutes. Add the chicken, ¾ cup cheese and corn. Put the mixture in 1½-quart casserole and let cool.

Bring 1½ cups of the water to a boil. Mix the cornmeal with the remaining ½ cup of the water, add to the boiling water and simmer 10 minutes until mushy. Let cool, then spread over the chicken mixture. Sprinkle with remaining cheese and bake uncovered at 350° for 30 minutes. Serves 4.

Follow up with a cool fruity liquid dessert:-

2 cups sliced strawberries (fresh or frozen)
1 very ripe medium or large banana
1 tablespoon honey
¼ teaspoon vanilla
1 cup milk
½ cup yogurt

Combine the strawberries, banana, honey and vanilla in a blender and process until smooth. Addd the milk and yogurt, blend for another minute. Serve immediately, preferably in chilled glasses. Makes 3 cups.

NOTE: INGREDIENTS FOR ALL GRAPEVINE RECIPES ARE AVAILABLE ON TAIWAN.

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HOTEL WATCH

EVENTS OF LOCAL INTEREST

FORTUNA is holding Hawaiian week in the 1st floor Coffee Shop at mid-Aug with lunch at NT$420 and dinner NT$450, both including a Budweiser beer or glass of burgundy. Tel. 563-1111

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RITZ La Brasserie will have a bargain NT$280 salad bar which includes a Beck's beer, through the 15th. The rest of the month an American menu will be featured. Tel. 597-1234.

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with Edward Ormsby

Our July get together was an exceptional event, once again thanks to Ron Robertson who selected the restaurant located at No. 189 Chung Hsiao E. Rd., Sec. 4, 9th floor.

That menu at the Sunrise Restaurant comprises both Taiwanese and Cantonese dishes, which are dissimilar enough to blend nicely. However, the most satisfying feature of the place is the convenient, preordained meals with the prices thereof listed in bold type so that you know exactly what you're going to get and exactly how much it will cost you. This removes most of the hassle and embarrassment out of ordering when you take your friends to dinner and they're all staring at you and expecting you to know what you're doing. It also eliminates the possibility that the waitress will misunderstand your Chinese and think you said you simply told her not to serve the nasty rubber sea slugs. A sea slug should be used to grease the treads of your tank, fix a flat on your bicycle, or at most beat your little sister. It should never be put on a plate and offered to a friend. Besides, without seafood what is there to eat? Chicken?

Ordering off the set menu also eliminates the dreaded prospect of having to invite Mr. and Mrs. Wong Fong to join you to help you interpret the menu. Paying the bill can be punishment enough.

In our case, the bill was not punishing. The total amount came to exactly NT$250 each, which was a bargain when there were eight of us and the thought of feeding a mob that size at Kentucky Fried Chicken is enough to make your head swim.

Our menu consisted of: steamed grass shrimp in garlic; a combination plate of stir fried squid and cuttle fish; stir fried strips of beef with onions in a pepper sauce (which is always a winner); sweet and sour pork; crispy boneless fried chicken with head; stewed crab meat with green vegetables; Cantonese fried rice; a steamed fish in a light brown sauce; bitter melon soup; a large platter of watermelon; and one more dish the Chinese characters for which I cannot read. Sorry.

I believe the silence that fell over the table when the food arrived speaks for the quality of the restaurant, and I will also add that by the time we left there was not a scrap left on the plates. You see, I'm not the only gourmand in the organization.

We would all like to express our gratitude to Ron Robertson and his Masonic Lodge for introducing us to this fine establishment. Perhaps I should become a Mason so I can get in on the fun.

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ANSWERS

1. loved; 2. music; 3. blushes; 4. hero; 5. slang

WORD DIFFERENCE

3. An opportunist is generally a person who goes ahead and does what you always intended to do.

2. You can put all your eggs into one basket but keep it under close guard.

1. Ant—a tiny insect that, although known as a hard worker, still has enough spare time to go to picnics.

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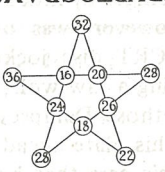

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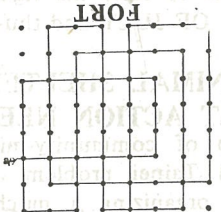

A 76-mile, 16-segment path that leaves only *one* town unvisited is believed to be the best possible solution. The reader may enjoy searching for it.

The illustration shows how the traveller could have driven his car 76 miles in sixteen straight runs and left only three towns unvisited. This is not an easy puzzle, and the solution is only to be found after considerable trial.

SEVENTY-SIX MILES

1. An acronym standing for "To Insure Promptness." 2. Leonardo da Vinci 3. 4.5 billion years 4. "The Katzenjammer Kids" first appeared in 1897 5. Cambridge 6. 250 billion. 7. The plastic or metal tip of a shoelace 8. 170 octillion 9. Stamp collecting 10. Hawaii 1. Ophthalmologist (eye doctor) 12. Ben Nevis 13. The German Heinkel He 178, Aug. 1939 14. Vice-admiral 15. Walter Hunt, American, in 1844.

TRIVIA

1. Sheep's stomach stuffed with minced heart, liver, lung, chopped beef suet, and oatmeal 2. Pomegranate 3. A Crayfish often sold as frozen "lobster tails" 4. True Sole is found only in European waters 5. The peel or thin outer skin of a citrus fruit

GOURMET

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

TAIPEI

GLORIOUS FOURTH

Malgré the Jonahs that read the weather forecasts up at ICRT, everything went swimmingly at this year's Fourth of July celebration held on the grounds of Taipei American School. Orchestrated by Gary L. Ritzman of Sealand Services for the American Chamber of Commerce, this year's bash was one of the best.

Many of the celebrants had their first sight of Mr. David Dean, the recently arrived Director of the American Institute in Taiwan, along with Mrs. Dean and certainly liked what they saw.

The catering this year was Olympian and ranged from veal sausages to frozen yoghurt, and the yellow stuff that flowed out of the beer cans was the real thing.

Most of the special events turned out exactly as Jimmy the Greek had predicted. If two guys can keep a major steamship operation afloat and in the black these days they should have no trouble getting to the top of a greased pole. Ian Blackman and Mike Burke, numbers one and two over at American President Lines, assaulted the slippery stick in that order and conquered it in record time.

Another shoo-in favorite followed the odds in the beer drinking contest, as reported on another page by Durdley Drinkright, but the starters gun was still smoking when Tony Grueniger upended his sixth tin of Bud.

One favorite, however, was upset. Rick Monday, another carnivore ICRT disc jockey, and a man who gained fame by eating a raw wolf, lost the pizza eating contest on one of those Dempsey-Tunney long count deals. Rick cleaned his plate ahead of the field but had so much pizza in his ears that he could not hear the judge's instructions to raise his right hand and yell HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY and thus lost the gold on a technicality.

ANIMAL SHELTER EXPAT ACTION NEEDED

A small group of community-minded expats are attacking the old Taipei problem of stray animals, mostly dogs, by organizing a much needed animal shelter. However, much is needed in the way of community support to get this project off-the-ground and into operation. As of this writing a few volunteers are bathing and feeding some animals in their own homes and a local vet is graciously providing free medical care.

Besides the desperate need for a place to house and care for stray animals, volunteers to help with feeding and bathing are needed plus monetary contributions for supplies, food and upkeep.

Both private individuals and business firms are asked to join in and contribute whatever they can spare, time or funds. Contact Schatzi Bigoni, (02) 731-1929 during business hours or 713-2426 evenings.

ICAC KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The International Childrens Activities Center is now accepting registration for it's Fall-Winter international kindergarten class running from 15 Aug through 15 Jan. 1988. For details phone 831-6616. (see ad pg. 29).

ORGANIZATIONS

Christian Women's Club will have their monthly luncheon Thursday, 27th, 11:45am at the Asia World Hotel (100 Tun Hwa N. Rd.). The theme will be "The Artist in You" featuring Morrison Academy Art Teacher, Mr. Roy Chang. The special feature will be Chinese Paper Cutting. Miss Heidi Tsao will present special music. All ladies, Chinese and English speaking, are welcome to attend. Tickets are NT$300. For reservations call Kathy Frederiksen 918-0467 or Geri Bartel 871-2045 by Mon., Aug. 24th.

Gateway, aside from the regular weekly coffee mornings Wednesdays at 10AM, will hold a Special Coffee at 10AM, Wed. 19 Aug to introduce representatives of the various expat community organizations. For further information phone 871-9031.

YWCA "Journeys in Chinese Culture" series will hold a lecture on Taiwan's Ghost Month Activities by Changrye Yuan on the 6th, 9:30AM at the Chungshan N. Rd. FASD Club. On the 20th Jim Petrie will lecture and show slides on the custom of fire walking, again at the Chungshan N. Rd. FASD Club. The fees for both events are NT$280 for members, NT$320 for non-members, which includes coffee and donuts. For more details call Polly Yeung at 381-2130/1.

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9-10	Chinese Dancing	MS
12	City Symphony Orchestra recital	MS
13	Chinese music recital	MS
18	Zulu male dancers (S. Africa)	TT
19	Flute chamber music recital	MS
24	Azusa Fuhita Piano Recital	CT
25	Julliard School of Music Youth Piano Trio	CT
26	Lucy Chin Revers Piano Recital	CT
26	City Symphony Orchestra recital	MS
25-30	David magic show	CS
29-31	Wiener Sangerknaben '87	TC

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Bankers Club	715-2135
Canadian Society	596-2389
China Masonic Temple	741-3971
Christian Women's Club	918-0467
Ding How Square Dance Club	772-3685
Foreign Affairs Club	596-3531
Gateway	871-9031
Ikebana Int'l	871-4475 or 781-2110
Indian Association	831-5448
Kiwanis Club	521-5151
La Leche League	351-5144
Lions	541-4035
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Republicans Abroad	594-2111
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Skal Club	541-6466
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Taipei Int'l Women's Club	771-4398
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Taiwan Old-Timers	700-6464
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Toastmasters, Grand	786-2192
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TAICHUNG

Christian Women's Club meets on Tues, 18th, 11:45 a.m. in the second floor Western Dining Room of the National Hotel (257 Taichung Harbor Road, Section 1). The theme will be "Never Too Old to Learn." Markku and Helka Silventionen will present the special music. The special feature will be a surprise. Mrs. Hwang, an elder in the Presbyterian Church and a mother of six, will be the speaker. Tickets are NT$240 Make reservations by Tues., 11th, with Pam Warton at (04) 231-8674.

VFW Post 727 was designated an "All State" post for 1986-87, by the National Headquarters, for high past performance. Additionally Post 727 received several personal and post honors during the recent Dept. of the Pacific convention in Taipei.

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Literary Club	220-0720
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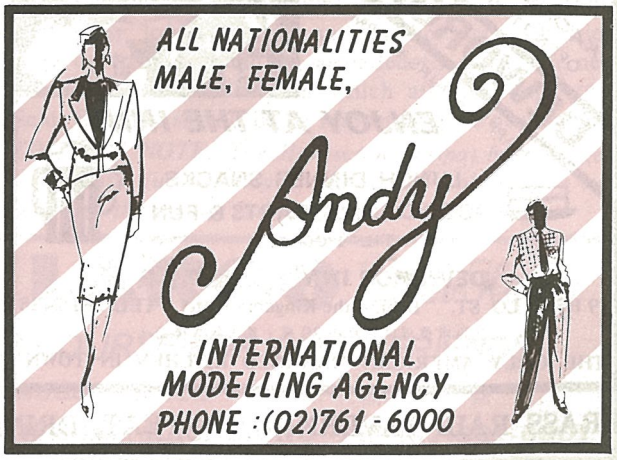

KAOHSIUNG

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IT WAS A GREAT FOURTH

The 4th of July Celebration at the Dominican School was a SMASH!! A wonderful time was had by all including the thrills of the splendid fireworks. 1st Prize of two air-tickets to Bangkok was won by Mr Tony Tu of APRC; 2nd Prize two air-tickets to Hongkong was won by Mr. John Yang; 3rd Prize two air-tickets to HongKong was won by Mr. N. Wang.

Special thanks are in order to Mr. Bob Hackmeister, President of AMCHAM; John Gallagher, Phil Steward, and the ladies for all their hard work in making it a successful event.

Anyone interested in AMCHAM contact Phil Steward at (07) 381-1954.

DEWDROP MARKS ANNIVERSARY

August 1st marks Dewdrop's 1st anniversary with a celebration for all customers and friends. Emma, Jean and Sandy, Dewdrop's convivial hostesses have done an excellent job over the past year and have established the Dewdrop Inn as a Kaohsiung bastion of good food, drinks and friendly enjoyment.

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BRASS RAIL TAVERN: This authentic replica of a 1920's American Tavern gives a distinctly new and and refreshing atmosphere to WuFu 4th Rd's pub row. The Brass Rail definitely earns a place on any self-respecting pubcrawler's itinerary. The Brass Rail is located at 21 Wu Fu 4th Rd., Tel. (07) 531-5643.

LIDO PUB: Located just a few steps off of Wu Fu 4th Rd. the Lido also brings a new, distinctive decor with a bit of lounge style comfort in addition to the attractively staffed bar. Lido is a place to be checked out by all at 115 Ta-yi St. Tel. (07) 531-3845.

BUDDHA'S LIGHT MOUNTAIN DINING

Only a few professional gourmets rogueing and ranging through the fine and fancy eating places of Taiwan would be drawn at mealtime to one of the island's most important religious complexes. Buddha's Light Mountain near Kaohsiung. But how right those few would be, for the 100% vegetarian table at the newly built and already famous Fokuangshan is world class. class.

Members of the foreign press corps, hearty and discriminating eaters in the tradition of H.L. Mencken, were escorted by the Government Information Office to a special banquet commanded by Master Hsing Yun in the grand dining hall of the temple, and before taking their leave they gave the anonymous and unseen but enormously appreciated chef a standing ovation.

One of the most beguiling tricks of a careful vegetarian chef is to make his diners think they are eating the most succulent of meats or fish when, in reality, they are dining entirely on plants. Among the aperitifs was an imitation white salami garnished with olives that would have passed muster in Parma. The numerous salads and undisguised vegetable dishes – notably the Greek style eggplant – were not only delicious but served as visual art as well. A sizzling platter of black mushrooms was somehow seasoned to taste like steak. And there was an ersatz canard a l'orange served flambe that also brought the diners to their feet. In all, some dozen dishes passed the way of the Abbot's fortunate guests, all a credit to his kitchen staff.

Master Hsing Yun is one of the world's great people. As President of the Chinese Buddhist Institute he is one of the world's great religious leaders. Additionally, whether he knows it or not, he should be a member of the Club de Cent and other world renowned gastronomical societies, for what he has created at Fokuang-shan by way of unique and resourceful vegetable cooking, is authentic haute cuisine.

The vegetarian restaurant of the temple is open 6AM – 7PM daily. To reach Fohuang-shan take provincial (old) route 1 toward Pingtung and turn left at route 179 (just before the toll bridge). It's about an hour's drive from Kaohsiung. Name and address:

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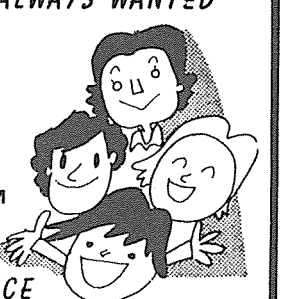

BRASS RAIL TAVERN ☞☞☞ EAT, DRINK, BE MERRY ☞☞☞ BRASS RAIL TAVERN

American Chamber On Sept. 2nd, the Kaohsiung American Chamber of Commerce will host its' monthly breakfast meeting on the 4th floor of the Ambassador Hotel at 0730.

International Ladies Coffee All the new-comers to the Kaohsiung, Tainan and Pingtung area are invited to attend the Coffee morning at the Grand Hotel on August 12th at 10AM. Coffee, iced-tea, and cookies are served while the gals meet new and old friends.

The International Ladies Coffee Morning welcomes and introduces new arrivals, plus giving "know-hows" of Taiwan and the immediate area and announcing forth-coming events. Call Pauline Watson at (07) 741-7176 for further information.

Masons Pearl River Lodge #3 initiated Mr. Yang En Drin as an Entered Apprentice Mason at the Grand Lodge in Taipei last month.

This month Pearl River will have an open installation of Officers for the year 1987-88 at 289 Ba Teh 1st Road 9th floor on the 29th at 1800 hours, followed by dinner. The new Officers are Master – Mr. Chen Chia Liang; Senior Warden – Mr. Simon Tien; Junior Warden – Mr. Harry F. Ong; Treasurer – Mr. Dick Fang; and Secretary – Mr. Chester K.M. Shaw.

Morrison Academy The two dozen or so kids had a great time during the Academy's Summer Camp thanks to Mr. Bracken, Mrs. Griffin, Miss Beck, Mrs. Huddleston, Mrs. Branner, and Mr. Andrews.

Toastmasters Every second week at 7:30 PM the Kaohsiung Toastmasters meet on the 15th floor, Kingdom Hotel. This organization teaches people of all walks of life to be better public speakers.

New officers for the year 1987-88 are: President, Helen Lin; Ed. V-P, Jessee Tsai; Admin. V-P, Andrew Lee; Secretary, Celine Tsai; Treas, Betty Yen; and Sergeant-at-Arms, Emil Chu.

Any person desiring to present a 20 minute speech on any subject are welcomed.

Scheduled meetings for August are on the 14th and 28th.

For more information call Helen Lin at 351-66551 during office hours.

KAOHSIUNG JOINERS LIST (07)

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Cricket Club	381-2524 or 871-5262
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Int'l Ladies Coffee Morning	741-7476 or 742-8374
Kaohsiung Int'l Womens Club	731-0979
Masonic Lodge	771-4338 or 241-3421
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DOWN ISLAND ENTERTAINMENT

Date	Program	Place
12	Korean Dance	Kaohsiung
12	Edmonton Public School music recital	Taichung
14	Edmonton Public School music recital	Kaohsiung
16	Zulu Male Dancers (S. Africa)	Kaohsiung
16	Violin Recital by Y.H. Chang	Kaohsiung
18	Violoncello Recital by 徐群香 C. C. Hsu	Kaohsiung
19	Piano Recital by 橋本明美	Kaohsiung
23	Julliard School of Music Youth Piano Trio	Kaohsiung
25	Lucy Chin Revers Piano Recital	Tainan
30	Piano Recital by 張安麟 A. L. Chang	Kaohsiung

Taichung: Taichung Chung Hsing Hall 台中中興堂

Kaohsiung: Kaohsiung Cultural Center 高雄市文化中心至善堂

Tainan: Tainan Culture Center 台南市文化中心

HOROSCOPE .....

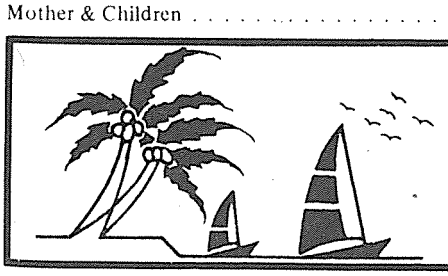
SAGGITARIUS (23 Nov – 21 Dec) Embarking on long term travel looks good during the first half-month. Activities should be moving forward briskly – be original and daring. If you take a break this month remain alert and don't forget your goals. Late month is a time to take up responsibilities in a postive manner. Check your diet for nutritional improvement.

CAPRICORN (22 Dec – 20 Jan) Don't keep up a hectic pace until you do yourself physical harm – find time to relax and spend some time alone. Always be ready to share your knowledge and experience with the less fortunate. Take time for a thorough physical exam.

AQUARIUS (21 Jan – 19 Feb) Continue to seek fresh prospects. Bring your training and talents to the forefront for others to recognize and appreciate – it could mean advancement for you. Divide your time logically between obligations and pleasures. For smokers it's time to give up the weed and improve your well being.

PISCES (20 Feb – 19 Mar) Singles make sure that you find a partner who is capable of returning your love. Personal and public responsibitities, large or trivial, should be attended to. Look for new information and education which affects your career field. Exercise should be an important part of your life.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *The Horoscope format has changed this month due to delay of our regular column. We will return to the regular format next month.*



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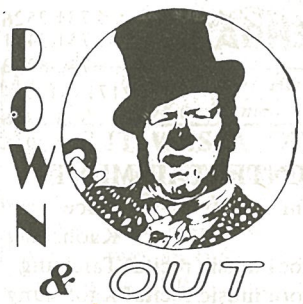

BARSTOOL VIEWS

By Durdley Drinkright

There I was, totally relaxed, spread over the sofa, triple Bloody Mary in hand, watching my favorite video, "The Texas Chain Saw Massacres," – for the fifteenth time. I enjoy really good acting liberally mixed with buckets of blood, a combination increasingly hard to find these days. Unfailingly the phone jangled in middle of the goriest scene, with enough blood being spilt for a vampires' convention.

"Durdley! This is Elmo. Come over to TAS right away!" he bellows in my ear.

"What's the big occasion?" I asks.

"Man, it's the 4th of July," he says, as if I am mentally retarded.

"Well so-the-what?" I asks. I'm celebrating independence day independently."

"That not the point – they're selling beer over here!" shouts this decadent 35-year-old lifetime student. I couldn't recollect if he was an SOB or SLOB, or both, but I knew we were actually talking about *softball.* This call had nothing to do with George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, the Declaration of Independence, tying sparklers to cats' tails, hotdogs, or even the U.S. of A. – BEER was the real subject – or more specifically, *the drinking of beer.*

"Well Peaswell," I says, because his name is Elmo Peaswell – but actually in softball circles they call him "Everlast" Elmo, probably because he wears his jockstrap backwards "I believe you but I'm terrifically comfortable right where I'm at, doing what I'm doing, which is nothing."

"Come on Durd," he pleads. "you gotta do something journalistic for the sake of organized softball."

"I got all kinds of booze to drink over here," I replies trying to stall him, "You got anything really special to entice me with?" Durdley Drinkright is not about to share the burden of anyone's (and especially a bunch of derelict softballers) cross for nothing.

"Aufgepist, icecold Aufgepist Beer." he retorts, hitting me square in my Achilles' heel.

"I'm on my way" I says in a flash. I mean there are some things a man just isn't supposed to resist and my slogan, ever since the Monoply backed down, is "never resist an Aufgepist."

"Well, as I hotfooted it over to the school grounds, I recollected the debates faithfully recorded on these pages, round about last autumn, as to whether or not the softballers should be *allowed* to quaff beer during their weekend sportfests on the school grounds, and last September these prophetic words appeared: *'We'll see whether TAS gives a hang about it's principles, or antiprinciples, when we see if they prohibit beer at the next 4th of July celebration.'*

And it had come to pass! This is the stuff Pulitzer prizes are made of. This was on par with the Watergate, Irangate and Gary Hart scandals – this was news!

After they extorted NT$200 from me at the entrance for a couple of coupon books (which, all told, got me an appetizer and half a can of beer) I reconnoitered the area and sure enough – the place was reeking with brew! This then was the homeground of the double standard, mixed morality and quasi-principles.

There in sight of the whole world was beer merrily gurgling down hundreds of throats in clear view of hundreds of grimy, sweaty, stinking juveniles. What an example to be set on the pristine grounds of TAS! This was full exposure – not just a few nosy brats that, by happenstance, might watch an adult weekend softball (and heretofore dry) game.

I was emotionally overcome by this scene of beer swilling debauchery. An involuntary tear came to my eye when I thought of all those cold, thirst-quenching beers the softballers had missed in the year gone by. Where is justice to be found? I wondered.

I was jolted out of my reverie by a blast off the P.A. system – *a beer drinking contest*! This would give the kiddies a first hand lesson in beer swilling as a sport.

No sooner had they lined up the contestants than all of the old hands knew it was a non-contest. There in plain sight were nine losers and Tony Grueniger of Zum Fass fame.

Well there was a few stray Lions who hadn't skipped town yet and I suddenly took a real liking to the one who had Bungwump, Mississippi emblazoned on his vest and kept yelling "the skinny guys always win," So I makes a couple of wagers.

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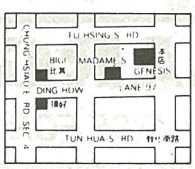

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Tony finished up a full five beers ahead of the closest "skinny" competitor and I had won two more coupon books to help stave off hunger and dehydration.

I had just trampled on the fifth toddler of the day, twisting my heel for good measure (– gad, can they scream), when I spots Elmo Peaswell, who now owes me a few cold Aufgepists. He tried to run but I nailed him between the hot dog stand and a staggering dis-orientated ex-beer-drinking contestant, whose offspring I think I'd just left screaming and frothing on the ground.

"OK wise guy, where's all this ice cold Aufgepist Beer you promised?" I says, getting a grip on his pigtail with one hand and a finger through his brass earring with the other,

"Sorry Durdley, but I didn't say that the Aufgepist would be here. This is an American affair so no German beer," blubbers Elmo.

"And if not here then just where is my beer, you double-crossing, bone-headed twit? Either I get my beers or you'll be practicing slow pitch with your toes!"

"You leave my Emmo lone!" interjects his feminine (for lack of any appropriate description) companion, whom I recognize as the shao-nai-nai from the Hot Lips Beer & Tea House. She starts kicking me on the shins, simultaneously sucking in popcorn like a vacuum cleaner from a bag in one hand and chomping a hot dog from the other. I couldn't figure out if she'd gotten run over by an asphalt spreader or won the greased pole contest single handedly. She could've substituted in the greased pig contest but there wasn't one this year.

"OK, OK," concedes Elmo, "I'll give you my IOU for a dozen Aufgepists. Lemme go!"

"Accepted," I says turning him loose, "At the next sight of you I intend to collect in full. Now kindly call off Ms. 'Grossly Repulsive' of 1987 before she starts foaming at the mouth and somebody shoots her."

There was always the distinct chance he'd renege on the IOU by avoiding me, but if you've ever met Elmo Peaswell you'll know I'm a winner either way. A little bit of Elmo can last a lifetime – two lifetimes if accompanied by his current sweetie.

With emptied coupon books, an unsteady gait, sore shins, and a soft sofa in mind I departed that hodge-podge of bruised, sunburned, cruddy, smelly bodies, all full to the teeth with hot dogs, potato salad, soda pop, pizza, barbeque and . . . . *beer* . . . at TAS! "We'll see," I mused "We'll see . . . . . .

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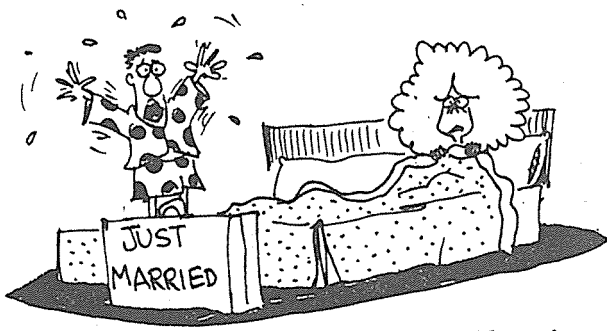

You're allergic to lust*!? I thought you said* dust*!*

DURDLEY'S DEFINITIONS

History: *What belongs to the winner.*
Bargain Sale: *A disease common to women.*
Fame: *Something achieved by dying at the right time.*
Lawyer: *A person who defends your estate so he can get some of it for himself.*
Rugby: *Game played by gentlemen with odd shaped balls.*

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THE MEEK SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH . . .
IF THAT'S O.K. WITH THE REST OF YOU.

VIBRANT VERSE

"Im through with girls, they cheat and lie
They prey on us till the day we die.
They tease and toy with us, they drive us to sin –
but – hey look at what just wiggle I in!"

CHUCKLER

Two guys met at a bar. "Say," said the first, "what does your wife say when you stay out as late as this?" "Nothing," replied the other, "I'm not married." The first fellow pondered a moment and said, "Then why do you stay out late?"

DURDLEY'S FACTS

Beer was not sold in bottles until 1850. Before that beer was taken out in special pots or buckets.

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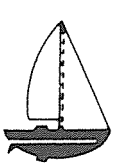
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DIG IN AT THE FOXHOLE

On the 18th of last month popular and venerable Bobby Jones threw open the doors of AMVETS II Post Home, better known as "The Foxhole."

It was a festive occasion with a hip band providing music for listening and dancing pleasures, plus plenty of game-room action – previewing the good things now happening at The Foxhole.

The pleasantly unusual and refreshing decor, designed by Asst. General Manager Peter Rathbone, provides enough reason in itself to hotfoot it over to the Foxhole as soon as possible. ☞☞☞

The Foxhole opens at 11:00 AM daily and features a menu of great food items throughout the day and evening, *Official* closing hour is 1 AM.

Although all patrons are welcome for a good look-see guest visit, membership (whether one qualifies for regular or associate category) is a must thereafter unless one is a guest of a member.

Seeing is believing so set your course for The Foxhole at 432 Keelung Rd, Sec. 1, across from the World Trade Center complex: 台北市基隆路一段432號
See ya there!

Scenes from the Foxhole: Hamming it up at the bar; l. to r. Bobby Jones, Cmdr. and Gen. Mgr.; Peter Rathbone, Asst. Gen. Mgr. and Foxhole designer; Dick Montgomery, Adjutant and Deputy Asst. Gen. Mgr. Photo on the right: Taking a few whirls on the Foxhole dance floor. band can be seen in the background

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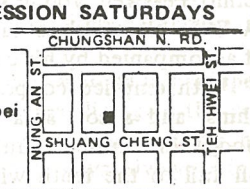

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SPORTS NOTES

Men's Int'l Bowing League is having a fairly close running summer league with only 15 games separating the 1st and 7th place teams as of the 13th week. The competition at the top is especially fierce. At the end of play on 21 July Firebugs were leading with 36 wins, followed by Hilton with 35, and VFW in third with 31 games won.

Ladies Bowling on Friday mornings is still in action, details are sketchy as they have lost their personable leader, Ngaire Castles, who left on 27 July with husband Don who has been transferred to Singapore. Phyllis Elliott will fill in as soon as she returns mid-August. Meanwhile interested gals can just show-up at the Yuanshan Bowling Center on Chungshan N. Rd. (just below Grand Hotel) at 10AM Fridays.

Soccer enthusiasts are rallying Saturdays, 3PM at TAS. All interested gentlemen are encouraged to contact Henry Grimbal (02) 543-1666.

LOOK! UP IN THE AIR?

The native community offers open invitations to foreigners for a number of on-beat and off-beat sports, including windsurfing, scuba diving, grass skiing and . . . hang gliding.

Now is the time to try something new and different – take to the skies for new found freedom, or so say enthusiasts.

Every Sunday, weather permitting, the bird men and girls gather at Paisawan Beach or Feisweiwan (near Keelung) up north, or Tsaichia, (near Pingtung) down south.

Fees for membership are NT$5,000 per guarter including dues, insurance and glider use.

For full details contact Fred Wang (02) 713-4134.

WINDSURFING OLYMPIC SELECTIONS – PLUS A LOT MORE AT PAISAWAN IN AUGUST

ROC Olympic selections for windsurfing will take place 21 – 23 Aug. at Paisawan Beach on the N.E. coast between Kinshan and Tamsui.

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SPORTS TRIVIA

1. In what U.S. city does the annual All-American Soap Box Derby take place?
2. What British automobile driver won seven Grand Prix in 1963?
3. What major U.S. baseball park has never had lights installed for night games?
4. What is the maximum legal weight of a bowling ball?
5. Name the annual steeplechase held at Aintree, England.
6. Shipwreck Kelly was famous for doing what feat in the 1920's and 30's?

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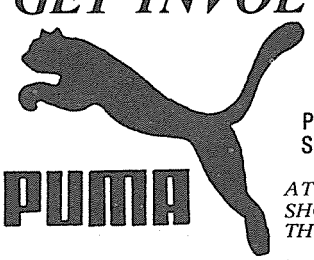

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for by the time the victim knows she is pregnant, the responsible boy is back in the bullrushes with a fresh victim. And 'victim' is the correct word. Pregnant single women get short shrift everywhere in China, and the first consideration on the part of Mrs. Dickson was the shocking number of suicides that were resulting. The only other escape for the poor girls has been messy and risky abortions, often carried out in the sixth month. At the CSS center in Taipei there are two options for the girls, and abortion is not one of them. They can either have their babies and attempt – hopelessly – to provide for them against the unified hostility of family and society or they can offer the babies for adoption.

Intensive counselling of all the girls is a major enterprise at the CSS shelter. And it is so well conducted by one American and several Chinese young women that remarkably little psychological damage results to the girls. They [illegible] mature and unprepared for motherhood that they seem scarcely to know what is taking place. They never nurse the babies, and all contact with them is broken in about a month. And from outside appearances, most of the unwed mothers leave the shelter, almost as good as new, and ready to resume their lives as before, motorcycle excursions and all.

Unofficially we calculate that it costs about NT$ 30,000 (rent, food, hospital delivery costs etc.) to handle one girl. And there is no denying that the benefits to her from this solution are overwhelming.

A definite by-product of this program is children for barren couples. And these seem to be very common. There is a waiting list for CSS babies, and it is both gratifying and surprising that the foster parents of these pure Asian babies are almost all caucasians. The fact that Swedes, Italians etc. are not only willing but eager to raise Asian babes as their own gives some indication that the age-old practice of racial exclusiveness that has bruised feelings everywhere may at last be on the run.

At the same time that Grapevine was discovering the Christain Salvation Service project Nini Wu was smoking out another one, the Roman Catholic Cathwel Service whose offices are at 2, Chungshan N. Rd., Sec. 1. This organization has its shelter at the extreme south end of Taipei and can accomodate eight unweds in a ground floor apartment similar to that of CSS. Its was to this project that Nini finally delivered the hot money.

When Grapevine rounded out its survey at Cathwel Service, we met Sister Rosa Wang, another outstanding young woman welfare worker. She is a religious rather than a lay sister but goes around in mufti and displays a worldliness rare in nuns. The program she directs closely parallels that of CSS except in one vitally important point – Sister Rosa's wards are not uniquely factory girls in their teens. From time to time her shelter takes in mature women in their late twenties, and this is where her most urgent and emotional problem enters. These women are not easily able to part with their babies. In fact, the problem is so intense that the Cathwel center, unlike the CSS, does not permit the mothers to have even one glimpse of their offspring.

This factor introduces an entire new approach to those cases involving grown women, and with the concurrance of both Paula Voigtmann and Sister Rosa, Grapevine herewith postulates that the most urgent problem of the mature unwed mother is to wed.

There is next to no chance at all that any Chinese suitor will step forward to rescue the honor, let alone the very heart, of such a fallen woman. But we feel sure there may be a few foreign buckeroos out there who might.

Every unattached foreign man who arrives on these shores instantly goes ga-ga over local women. But very few of them can get anywhere against China's insipient racial exclusiveness and other doctrines. Some men who pursue and win the hearts of Chinese girls find themselves selves cut off at the pass. For in many cases the girl's petition to her all-dominating parents is received as though she had asked to be allowed to play the lead in one of those Port Said donkey/woman exhibitions.

The girls in all the shelters are, we guess, completely out from under parental guidance. And we guess, or at least hope, that any of the mature ones living in dread of surrendering their babies would opt for a foreign protector. Gratitude is a very prominent oriental character trait, and Jimmy the Greek is giving long odds that after the initial human gesture Aphrodite would take the helm.

At any rate, the designated ladies have promised to keep Grapevine informed whenever suitable women check into their shelters. And any punter out there in our audience who might be interested can drop a discreet and totally confidential note to Grapevine marked "Unwed Fathers." Aliases are quite in order as long as we have a phone number or an address to refer to.

In the meantime some of the best heads in town are getting together to think up some new fund raising initiatives for both Paula and Sister Rosa.

In conclusion our poetry department has unearthed an elegy which seems to tell the entire story of all the unwed mums throughout the ages:

See him riding on his Honda
Past the gutter where she stands
He has made a stylish marriage
While she wrings her ringless hands.
It's the same the whole world over
it's the poor wot gets the blame
It's the rich gets all the pleasure
Ain't it all a – – – – shame? ◇

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MOOSA, Cont'd .....

There was an awkward silence. Ashley left it to her to break it.

"I know what you're thinking," she said. "I know you'll laugh at my saying so, but I love my husband and we're quite happy together. At heart I'm a respectable woman, but I'm like many others–you'd be surprised how many. Our husbands have odd working hours and –well, we're lonely–and we need the money. In our case, we're saving up to build a house. Don't judge me too harshly."

"I'm not judging you," Ashley said. "I'm only curious."

"You're not a newsman, are you?" she asked in alarm.

Ashley laughed.

"No, not a newsman," he said, "just a traveling salesman. But even traveling salesmen can be curious. Could I see a picture of your husband?"

The woman looked at him searchingly.

"What a strange thing to ask," she said. "You know, you're the very first man who's ever had such an idea. Most of them don't even ask whether I'm married or single or even my name. But maybe your case is different, because you're a traveling salesman and 've seen more of life."

"Isn't it risky bringing men here?" Ashley asked.

"Well–you might not believe this," the woman said, "but you're the first one I've ever brought home. Usually we go elsewhere."

"What made me an exception?" Ashley asked.

"You're sort of different," the woman said. "I feel I can trust you."

Then as if acting under a sudden impulse, she went to the bedroom and returned with a photograph.

She brought it to Ashley and held it up before him.

Ashley saw at once that the man in the picture was not the bartender at The Tavern Inn.

He felt immensely relieved.

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GHOSTS, Cont'd .....

the main festival day of the month.

For most, however, the 15th day marks the Chung-Yuan Festival which is the day monks and nuns conclude their annual period of meditation and prayer training. This practice was established by the efforts of one Mu-lien to save his mother from the torments of hell by organizing the combined prayers of thousands of monks which began on the 15th day of the 4th lunar month and lasted for three months.

In temples across Taiwan prayers are made to the spirits. Offerings by individual petitioners might include honoring one or more ancestor by purchasing a place in the Temple where the ancestor's name is placed for an arranged period of time. This might be a peice of paper pasted on the wall or placed on one of the eternal light stands.

Traditionally temples are well decorated with lights and lanterns to guide the spirits. Tables are loaded with offerings of food and wine, and the largest pig is selected as a sacrifice to the spirits. Stacks of paper money are prodigiously burned, to appease the ghosts with spending money for their vacation on terra firma.

An effigy of Tai-sai-ia (Mandarin: Ta-shih-yeh) is usually in attendance at the temples during this period in his role as representative from the underworld and supervisor of the visiting ghosts.

Lanterns are floated in rivers, lakes and streams to appease the spirits of those drowned and looking for living substitutes in order to gain release from their watery nether-world so they can report to Giam-lo-ong and gain a place in Hades.

All in all it is a festive month for all with plenty of food and drinks for both the living and the dead. It is a time when the lonely feel once again close to their dearly departed. ◇

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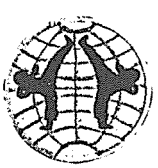

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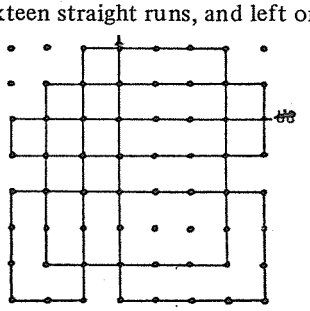
TRIVIA MISH-MASH

1. What is the derivation of the word "tip" (meaning gratuity)?
2. Who invented the scissors?
3. What is the estimated age of the earth?
4. Which comic strip is the oldest in existence?
5. What was the original name of Harvard University?
6. How many stars are estimated to be in our galaxy?
7. What is an "aglet"?
8. How many ways are there to play the ten opening moves in a game of chess?
9. What is the most popular hobby in the world?
10. Which of the United States is situated farthest south?
11. What was the basic profession of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, author of Sherlock Holmes?
12. Name the highest mountain in Great Britain.
13. What was the first jet aircraft to fly successfully?
14. With what rank did "Captain Bligh," of Bounty mutiny fame, end his career?
15. Who invented the safety pin?

SEVENTY-SIX MILES

A salesman started in his car from the point shown, and wished to go 76 miles in sixteen straight runs, never going along the same road twice. The dots represent towns and villages, and these are one mile apart. The lines show the route he selected. It will be seen that he carried out his plan correctly, but six towns or villages were unvisited.

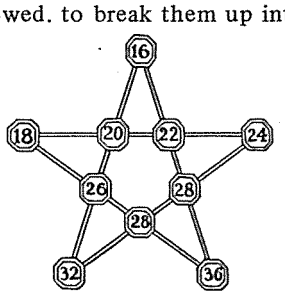
Can you show a better route by which he could have gone 76 miles in sixteen straight runs, and left only three towns unvisited?



MANNING THE FORT

Here we have a system of fortifications. It will be seen that there are ten forts, connected by lines of outworks, and the numbers represent the strength of the small garrisons. The General wants to dispose these garrisons afresh so that there shall be 100 men in every one of the five lines of four forts. Can you show how it can be done?

The garrisons must be moved bodily – that is to say, you are not allowed. to break them up into other numbers.



CRYPTOGRAMS

In cryptograms, you are given sentences in which one set of letters is substituted for another. The words are in their right order with a space after each. For example: A BIG CAT, M SWX UMY. Here M is substituted for A, S for B, W for I, etc. You can break each code by watching for the frequency of certain letters or the way they are grouped. You know that a single letter is usually A or I, that the word THE occurs very often in English as does AND. Try IS, IT, OF and other common words when you find a group of two letters.

1. L P R–L R G P O G P F D N R R M L R, L H R M C V E M A P C Z P L F L M L X W Z C X A D X, F R G H H M L F D P C V E M F Q L X D R G S D R C E C R C Q G N P G N F.
2. L X S Q V K C S R V T T L X S N P M M J Z K R X X K P H V J B P R H S R B P P C Z R S K U P N Q T X J P M S V N U.
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A WORD MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Listed below are some observations about the human condition which were made by the people whose names are given. However one word is omitted from each. The correct word is one of the three given after the quote. See how many you can correctly complete. Guesses are allowed.

1. The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are _____ (Victor Hugo)
   somebody *affluent* *loved*
2. Without _____ , life would be an error. (Friedrich Nietzsche)
   music *philosophy* *strife*
3. Man is the only animal that _____ . Or needs to. (Mark Twain)
   thinks *blushes* *predicts*
4. Show me a _____ and I will write you a tragedy. F. Scott Fitzgerald)
   hero *prude* *charlatan*
5. _____ is a language that rolls up its sleeves, spits on its hands and goes to work. (Carl Sandburg)
   Yiddish Slang Norwegian

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